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The above amendment is presented to eliminate multiple dependent claims, thereby reducing PTO filing fees.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is entitled "**Version with Markings to Show Changes Made**".

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 3-8 and 10 have been amended as follows:

3. (Amended) The formulation according to Claim 1 [or 2], in which the porous, spherical calcium carbonate has a particle diameter in the substantial range of 18-115 μm .

4. (Amended) The formulation according to Claim 1 [or 2], in which the porous, spherical calcium carbonate has a particle diameter in the substantial range of 20-32 μm .

5. (Amended) The formulation according to Claim 1 [or 2], in which the porous, spherical calcium carbonate has a particle diameter in the substantial range of 20-32 μm , and a median particle diameter of 22 μm or greater and less than 30 μm .

6. (Amended) The formulation according to Claim 1 [or 2], in which the porous, spherical calcium carbonate has a particle diameter in the range of 20-32 μm .

7. (Amended) The formulation according to [any of Claims 1-6] Claim 1, in which the insulin content of the component composed of insulin and porous, spherical calcium carbonate is 0.1-50% by weight based on the total weight of the component.

8. (Amended) The formulation according to [any of Claims 1-7] Claim 1, in which the porous, spherical calcium carbonate has a relative surface area of 1.5 m^2/g or greater.

10. (Amended) The formulation according to [any of Claims 1-9] Claim 1, in which the insulin content of the component composed of insulin and calcium carbonate is 0.1-50% by weight based on the total weight of the component.